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SUBJECT: CAMBODIA--MORE ON THE DEATH OF FOUR ALLEGED STUDENT
PROVOCATEURS

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PRIME MINISTER LONG BOPET HAS TOLD US EMBASSY OFFICIALS
THAT THE AUTOPSY PERFORMED ON THE FOUR STUDENTS WHO DIED ON
JANUARY 27 WHILE UNDER MILITARY DETENTION INDICATES THAT THEY
WERE KILLED BY THEIR JAILORS. THE LATTER APPARENTLY CLAIMED THAT
THE STUDENTS WERE ARMED ENEMY AGENTS ARRESTED IN THE ACT OF
INCITING PANIC LATE LAST WEEK DURING INTENSE COMMUNIST SHELLING
ATTACKS.

4 AT CHARGE ENDERS' URGING, LONG BOPET HAS AUTHORIZED A PUBLIC
3 ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE INCIDENT. IT WILL STATE THAT, IN VIEW OF THE
2 SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE STUDENTS' DEATH, A FULL
1 INVESTIGATION HAS BEEN ORDERED AND THAT THOSE RESPONSIBLE HAVE

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BEEN ARRESTED. IN THE MEANTIME, STORIES ABOUT THE STUDENTS' INNOCENCE ARE ALREADY CIRCULATING IN PHNOM PENH. THE INCIDENT IS ALMOST CERTAIN TO BE EXPLOITED BY STUDENT RADICALS--WHO THIS FAR APPEAR TO BE IN THE MINORITY--TO TRY TO GENERATE SUPPORT FOR SOME SORT OF ANTI-GOVERNMENT PROTEST.

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